## State of Mississippi Awarded Incentive Grant To Battle Drunk Driving

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(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today announced that the State of Mississippi has received a grant in the amount of \$469,961 to support efforts to reduce incidents of alcohol-impaired driving.

"This grant demonstrates our commitment to safer roads for the people," Musgrove said. "The award was based on our strong record of aggressive programs against drunk driving."

The grant, made through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the U. S. Department of Transportation, was awarded because of the state's efforts in an underage drinking prevention program, a statewide traffic enforcement program, a graduated driver's licensing system, a young adult drinking and driving program, and a program for testing the blood alcohol concentration of drivers involved in fatal accidents.

The Department of Public Safety, in coordination with the Governor's Office, will implement the grant funds.